Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 17 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 18 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 16 Nov 2023 at 12:19 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for dry and settled conditions in Friday then a change to strong winds, rain and mild weather on Saturday. High for generally mild and showery conditions for Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Friday 17 Nov 2023: Cloudy start then sunny spells developing. Light winds, strengthening in evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 17 Nov 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	10%

Forecast for Friday 17 Nov 2023

Weather: A cloudy start with patchy light rain and munro summit snow but this soon dying out. Cloud lifting and breaking up through the morning then long bright or sunny spells in the afternoon. Clear spells and some fog patches in the evening but cloud and winds increasing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% becoming 80% by afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud and fog above 500m at first with banks of cloud on lower slopes. This slowly lifting and breaking with good visibility across all ranges by the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	9/12 S	6/8 S	4/5 S	4/6 E	6/9 SE	9/14 SE	15/21 SE	26/34 SE	35/47 SE
900	6/9 S	5/7 S	4/5 S	3/4 SW	4/6 S	6/9 SE	11/17 SE	17/25 SE	30/39 SE
600	3/5 S	3/4 S	3/4 W	2/4 W	2/4 S	4/6 SE	5/9 S	8/13 SW	10/17 SE
300	1/4 SW	1/3 SW	1/3 SW	2/5 SW	1/5 SW	1/3 E	3/5 W	4/7 E	6/12 NE
Glen	2/7 S	2/6 S	2/5 S	2/5 SW	3/6 S	3/6 SE	3/7 S	3/11 S	3/15 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-7	-2/-6	-2/-5	-3/-6	-2/-5	-2/-7	-3/-9	-3/-11	-3/-13
900	1/-2	1/-2	0/-2	0/-1	1/-1	1/-2	1/-4	0/-5	0/-8
600	2/0	2/1	2/1	2/1	3/2	3/1	2/0	2/-2	2/-2
300	1/-1	1/-0	1/-0	1/0	4/3	3/2	1/-1	1/-1	3/0
Glen	1/0	1/0	1/-0	1/0	4/3	3/3	0/-1	1/-1	2/0
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Snow cover above about 900m so be prepared for sun glare on the tops during the afternoon.

Forecast for Saturday 18 Nov 2023

Weather: Rain spreading east overnight, preceded briefly by snow above 900m before milder air arrives. Outbreaks of rain continuing through the day, heaviest in the west and accompanied by strong winds giving some difficult walking conditions. Perhaps some brief bright spells to the north and east of the Cairngorms.

Maximum wind: South or Southeast 50mph gusts 80mph early morning, decreasing to 30mph gusts 50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor visibility in rain with areas of cloud or fog above 600m, but higher and more broken cloud over the northern Cairngorms.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6C rising to 10C.
At 800m: Plus 1C rising to 6C.
Freezing level: 900m, rising above summits by morning.

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